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Hillings (R., Calif.) ^{leaves} ~~to leave~~ Los Angeles Sept 2 ~~on~~ trip through Latin America. As Chairman Latin America Subcommittee of House Select Committee on Communist Aggression, hopes obtain voluntary statements from nationals countries visited who have first-hand information Communist movement those countries for later publication in hearings. Has requested secretarial and translating assistance be made available for this work. Wishes no publicity on purpose of trip. Plans avoid press interviews and will not reveal committee's purpose. Willing be represented as "just another traveling Congressman". During trip may be joined by Rep. Thomas Dodd (D., Conn.) member Select Committee.

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Patrick McMahon, staff consultant for Subcommittee, will accompany Hillings. Has been free lance contributor various periodicals including American Mercury. Closely associated with Hearst periodical publications. In articles has attributed statements to members missions whom he has met in his travels.

Hillings gave no exact itinerary to Dept. Will arrive Guatemala City Sept 2 and remain four or five days. Will then proceed San Jose, Panama.

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Quito, Santiago, possibly Rio. All posts requested notify onward posts concerning times of arrival and hotel accommodations desired.

Provisions Handbook for Congressional Travel apply.

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